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In re Application of: **ROMAIN**
Serial No.: **09/914,172**
Filed: **AUGUST 24, 2001**
For: **METHOD FOR PROVIDING SECURITY TO A CHAINING OF OPERATIONS
PERFORMED BY AN ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF
EXECUTING AN ALGORITHM**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

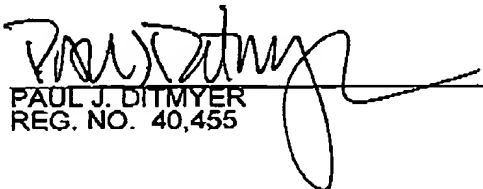
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this filing.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this filing.